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Deb Thomas Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, Colorado 80202-1129

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The following action is submitted to EPA for final approval and incorporation into the Colorado State Implementation Plan pursuant to 40 CFR Part 51, Appendix V, 2.1(a):

Regional Haze State Implementation Plan Element and Regulation Number 3, Part F On December 15, 2016 the Air Quality Control Commission adopted targeted revisions to Regulation Number 3, Part F, Section VI, containing the Regional Haze Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) determination for Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association's Craig Station Unit 1 and the Reasonable Progress determination for Tri-State's Nucla Station. Included were revisions to Colorado's Regional Haze SIP Element Chapter 6 - Best Available Retrofit Technology; Chapter 8 - Reasonable Progress; Appendix C - Technical Support for the BART Determinations; and Appendix D - Technical Support for the Reasonable Progress Determinations. The revisions also corrected any typographical, grammatical, and formatting errors.

The revised chapters are intended to fully replace previously adopted SIP chapters, as well as previously proposed SIP revisions addressing the same requirements. Accordingly, we withdraw Colorado's 2015 proposed SIP Revision concerning Regulation Number 3, Part F, Section VI addressing the BART determination for Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association's Craig Station Unit 1. We also withdraw Colorado's 2011 proposed Regulation Number 3 revisions, to the extent it addresses the same requirements.

These revisions comply with paragraph 2 of the 2017 Agreement between WildEarth Guardians, National Parks Conservation Association, the EPA, the CDPHE and Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.



The materials have been entered into EPA's CDX for your review. The Office of the Commission may submit any additional technical support documentation and administrative information needed for review directly to your staff. Should there be any questions regarding these materials, please contact the Commission Office at 303-692-3478.

Sincerely,

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